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FOR: METHOD FOR SELECTING TUMOURS EXPRESSING HLA-G, SENSITIVE TO

ANTICANCER TREATMENT AND USES

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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SIR:

Responsive to the Official Action dated March 27, 2001, Applicants elect, with

traverse, Group II, Claims 2 and 3, for further prosecution.

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REMARKS

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The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

Group I: Claims 1, 4, 12 and 13, drawn to a method for HLA-G transcription

profile of a solid tumor;

Group II: Claims 2 and 3, drawn to a method establishing the HLA-G expression

profile in view of selecting a treatment comprising antibody labeling; and

Group III: Claims 5-11, drawn to an antitumor vaccine composition.

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This application is a 371 of international application PCT/FR99/00386, filed February 19, 1999, and is properly subject to restriction only under the PCT rules. As noted in MPEP §1895.01(D), restriction practice under 35 U.S.C. §121, as it applies to national applications